II. NUTRITION SERVICES

Nutrition services represent the full range of activities performed by a variety of staff to operate a WIC Program such as, participant assessment and screening, nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding and health promotion, food package prescriptions, and health care referrals. Quality WIC nutrition services encompasses not only what WIC offers to participants, but how WIC offers its services.

- A. Nutrition Education 246.4(a)(9); 246.11(a)(1-3)(c)(1,3-8): describe the nutrition education goals and action plan and the provisions for providing nutrition education contacts and materials to all participants including the special nutrition education needs of migrant farmworkers and their families, Native Americans, and homeless persons. Also describe methods to be used to provide drug and other harmful substance abuse prevention information. Establish standards for breastfeeding promotion and support.
- **B.** Participant Assessment 246.7 (d)(e): describe the policies and requirements for certification procedures to insure participants' nutritional risk are evaluated in a consistent and proper manner.
- C. Food Package Design 246.10 (c)(1-7); (e)(1-3): describe the procedures for determining which foods should be authorized and how the food package should be nutritionally tailored and by whom, and plans for substitutions or eliminations to WIC food package.
- **D.** Staff Training 246.11(c)(2): describe the training and technical assistance provided to WIC professional and para-professional personnel who provide nutrition education, and breastfeeding promotion/education to participants.

A. NUTRITION EDUCATION

1.	Local	Agency Nutrition Education Plans
a.	The S	tate agency requires local agency nutrition education:
	\boxtimes	needs assessment goals and objectives other (list):schedule of classes
b.		tate agency monitors local agency progress toward meeting nutrition education and objectives via:
		quarterly or annually written reports year end summary report annually at local agency reviews other (specify): site visits
		AL DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix dure Manual (cite):
2.	Annu	al Assessment of Participant Views on Nutrition Education and Breastfeeding otion
a.		k below the method(s) used in the past fiscal year to assess participant views on ion education and breastfeeding promotion and support provided by WIC:
		State developed questionnaire issued by local agencies Locally developed questionnaires (need approval by SA State developed questionnaire issued by State agency Focus groups Other (specify):
b.	Resul	ts of participant views are:

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3.	Niitrition	Education	Contacts
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a.	caretakers of infa	ant and child p	participants, an	cy offers adult participants, pad whenever possible, the child per certification period via:	
	state n	utrition staff mo agency provides		•	
b.	_	ency has devel ticipant catego	-	nutrition counseling standards	s for the
		ant women artum women en	\boxtimes	breastfeeding women infants high-risk participants	
c.	Individual ca	re plans are re	equired for all h	igh-risk participants	
	Yes		\boxtimes	No	
d.	Individual ca	re plans devel	oped include th	e following components:	
	Must Include	May Include	action plan to plan for follow plan for referra timeframes for	al completing action plan for completing action plan	
e.	Check the fol education:	lowing individ	luals allowed to	provide general or high risk nu	ıtrition
	General Nutrition Education	∠ Licen	orofessionals (nor training by SA ased Practical Nu stered Nurses		

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			Home Economists B.S. in Nutrition (or related f Registered Dietitian or M.S.: Dietetic Technician (2 year p Other (specify):Classes may successfully completed the N	in Nutrition (or rogram complet be taught by any	ed)
f.	The State age	ncy allo	ws adult participants to rec	ceive nutrition	education by proxy
	□ No ⊠ Yes (If	yes, che	proxy is spouse/boyfriend proxy is parent of adolescent proxy is neighbor only for certain priorities (spe other (specify): designated b	prenatal participacify):	oant
g.	The State age	•	ws parents/guardians of in proxy	fant and child	participants to receive
		AIL: Nanual (ci	·	guardian of infa cify): food recipient	nt or child
a.	The State age for the following	-	ommends and/or makes av	ailable nutritio	n education materials
			English	Spanish	Other languages (specify)
	General nutrition	on	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	
	Specific nutrition related disorder		\boxtimes	\boxtimes	
	Maternal nutriti	ion	\boxtimes		

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b.

Infant nutrition	\boxtimes		\boxtimes		
Child nutrition		\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
Nutritional need Homeless (see 246.4 (a)(9) Nutritional need migrant farmwo	State Plan ds of	\boxtimes			
and their familie	es				
Nutrition needs Indians	s of				
Nutrition needs teenage prenata		\boxtimes			
Breastfeeding a promotion	and support	\boxtimes			
Breastfeeding is problems	ssues/	\boxtimes			
Danger of harm (alcohol, tobace drugs and secon abuse during pr and breastfeedi	co and other nd-hand smoke regnancy	e)		\boxtimes	
Other:					
or other source Manual and r	ces for use by reference belov	local agencies o w.	or speci	res available from the State agency ify the location in the Procedure	
_	•			e that nutrition education material terms of the following:	S
Content	·	reading level	\boxtimes	graphic design	

Nutrition Education

с.		lly deve to use	lope d 1	nutrition	educat	ion materials must be approved by State agency
	\boxtimes	Yes				No
				requires l materials	_	gency to follow a standardized format for evaluating
		Yes				No
			FAIL: Ianual		a Servio	ces Appendix
	Speci	al Nutr	ition E	ducation	Needs	of Special Populations
	of mi	grant fa	armwoi	rkers (M)), home	on education efforts to address the specific needs less individuals (H), substance-abusing g women (B) through (check all that apply):
	<u>M</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>B</u>		
				\boxtimes		provision of nutrition education materials appropriate to this population
			\boxtimes	\boxtimes		provision of nutrition curriculum or care guidelines specific to this population
			\boxtimes			requiring local agencies who serve this population to address its special needs in local agency nutrition education plans
				\boxtimes		arranging for special training of local agency personnel who work with this population
	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes			distribution of resource materials related to this population
		\boxtimes	\boxtimes			encouraging WIC local agencies to network with one another
	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes		coordinating at the State and local levels with agencies who serve this population
						other (specify):

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6. Breastfeeding Pro	omotion Plan
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o. a.	The	State agency coordinates with local agencies to develop a breastfeeding promotion that contains the following elements (check all that apply):
		activities such as development of breastfeeding coalitions, task forces, or
		forums to identify barriers to breastfeeding
		development of breastfeeding promotion and support posters and outreach materials
	\boxtimes	procurement of breastfeeding aids which support the initiation and
		continuation of breastfeeding (e.g., breast pumps, breastshells, nursing supplementers, and nursing pads and bras).
	\boxtimes	training for State/local agency staff.
	\boxtimes	designation of State breastfeeding promotion coordinator to coordinate breastfeeding promotion efforts
		evaluation of breastfeeding promotion and support activities
	$\overline{\boxtimes}$	employment of a certified lactation consultant to counsel pregnant women
	\boxtimes	other (specify):plans to increase bf rates and/or meet performance standards
b.		State agency has established standards for breastfeeding promotion and support h include, at a minimum, the following (check all that apply):
	\boxtimes	a policy that creates a positive clinic environment which endorses breastfeeding as the preferred method of infant feeding
		a requirement that each local agency designate a local agency staff person to coordinate breastfeeding promotion and support activities
		a requirement that each local agency incorporate task-appropriate breastfeeding promotion and support training into orientation programs for
		new staff involved in direct contact with WIC clients
	\boxtimes	a plan to ensure that women have access to breastfeeding promotion and
		support activities during the prenatal and postpartum periods

B. DIETARY ASSESSMENT

1.	Local	agencies are required at a minimum to assess and document dietary intake for:
		all participants only those participants who do not have a medical risk factor only those participants who have particular risk factors only specific participant categories other (specify): assessed but not always scored for risk see CS: 04.6
		L DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix dure Manual (cite): CS: 04.6
2.		tate agency \boxtimes State wide or, \square at local agency option (check one), res/allows (check all that apply):
		dietary intake information on all participants dietary intake information only for those participants at risk due to dietary inadequacy other (specify):
		L DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix dure Manual (cite):
3.		tate agency policy requires that dietary intake information be collected through all that apply):
		no intake protocol are specified
		L DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix dure Manual (cite): CS: 04.6
4.	-	sis of diet is based on professionally recognized guidelines (e.g., AAP, Dietary lines for Americans, Food Guide Pyramid)
		Yes (specify which): FGP No (explain):

ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix

and/or Procedure Manual (cite):

Dietary Assessment

5.		agencies ar ent form(s)	-	by the	State agency to use the same standardized dietary
	\boxtimes	Yes			No
a.	•	, attach ma ence below.		ıs or sj	pecify location in the procedure manual and
b.	If no,	the State a	agency assur	es qua	ality diet assessment by:
		1 0	nonitoring the		omit forms for approval y developed forms during local agency reviews
		AL DETAI dure Manu		n Servi	ices Appendix

and/or Procedure Manual (cite):

C. FOOD PACKAGE DESIGN

1.	Authorized WIC eligible Foods
a.	Include a copy of the current State authorized food list and the individual food package design for each category in the Appendix or cite Procedure Manual reference: FD: 22.0
b.	The State agency considers the following when making decisions about authorizing WIC eligible foods:
	federal requirements participant acceptance Statewide availability other (specify): label confusion; name of product and impact on nutrition message e.g. "cocktail" as used sometimes with juice
C.	The State agency identifies nutritional criteria for approving foods which are stricter than Federal regulations
	If yes, complete the following table citing actual values or criteria identified by the State.
d.	The State agency establishes policies regarding the issuance of contract and non-contract brand infant formula.
	∑ Yes □ No
	The State agency requires medical documentation for contract infant formula (other than milk and soy-based)
	☐ Yes No
	The State agency requires medical documentation for non-contract infant formula. \boxtimes Yes \square No
ΔI	DDITIONAL DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix

State Established Guidelines

	Milk	Cheese	Cereal	Juice	*Eggs	Peanut Butter	Tuna	Dried Beans/Peas	Carrots
Fat	whole for childr en <2					no lowfat or lite	packed in water No albacor e solid white		
Sugar	unfla vored ,no sweet end cond ense d								
Sodium									
Fiber									
Artificial Sweeteners									
Artificial Color/ Flavor									

Food Package Design

wrappe d fic no Xlg or jumbo s of apple , grape and veget ble	Other (e.g., grade or size of eggs)	no high calciu m	no pkg less than 10 oz; no shredd ed or indiv. wrappe d	no pkg < than 10 oz	brand s of apple , grape and veget	or				no frozen
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^{*} Category includes fresh eggs and dried egg mix

Food Package Design

2.	. Nutrition Tailoring							
a.	The State agency provides a standard food package for each WIC category which the same as the maximum package allowed in Program Regulations							
	Yes No ☐ Pregnant women ☐ Breastfeeding women ☐ Postpartum, nonbreastfeeding women ☐ Infants ☐ Children ☐ State agency does not have standard (packages)	i.e., pre-tailored) food						
b.	b. If the standard package is not maximum, the State agency specifies participants should receive maximum:							
	All participants in category Pregnant women Breastfeeding women Postpartum, nonbreast- feeding women Infants Children	Participants with specific risk factors						
c.	. The State agency provides a specially tailored package for	or:						
	Women/children with special dietary needs Homeless individuals Incarcerated women Other (specify): Provide a copy of the actual foods included in the homele	ess and prison packages in the						
	Appendix or cite Procedure Manual reference below.	and prison packages in the						
d.	. The State agency develops written nutrition tailoring poli- based on the following participant characteristics:	icies and supportive rationale						
	does not develop develops based on: category age nutritional risk criteria							

Other (specify):

Food 1	Packag	e Design							
		□ □ intoler	Progra other (specify)	m)	grams (e.g., Child Care Food ical conditions e.g. lactose				
e.	The State agency allows local agencies to develop specific tailoring guidelines (nutrition tailoring may be done for only the following reasons: to reduce quant of foods for individual participants or categories based on their nutritional need accommodate participant preferences; to accommodate household conditions; a administrative adjustments may be made to brands, types, and forms but not quantities of allowed foods.)								
		Yes	\boxtimes	No					
	•	ve local agency	tailoring guid	elines:	by the State agency to review or guidelines for State approval				
		Local agency to reviews Other (specify)		es are monitored	annually during local agency				
f.	The St		thorizes the loc	al agency CPA	to individually tailor the food				
	\boxtimes	Yes		No					
		L DETAIL: N lure Manual (c	Nutrition Servicite):	ces Appendix					
3.	Prescr	ibing Package	S						
a.	Indivi	duals allowed t	to prescribe fo	od packages:					
	СРА		Standard food package		Individually tailored food package ⊠				

Food Package Design

b.	Check below as applicable to describe the State agency's policies on issuing special
	formulas and whole cow's milk (WCM) to infants six months of age or older:

Ready-to feed	Low-iron low-calorie, high calorie formulas	Non-contract	Exempt/WIC-eligible Medical foods			
				Not authorized by the State agency		
				Only authorized for specific diseases/ conditions identified by State agency		
				Medical documentation required		
				State agency approval required		
				For religious eating		
				patterns Other (specify):		

ADDITIONAL DETAIL: Nutrition Services Appendix and/or Procedure Manual (cite): FD: 24.8, FD: 22.0

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D. STAFF TRAINING

The State agency provides or sponsors the following training for WIC competent professional authorities:

authorities.	Professionals				Paraprofessionals (may or may not be CPA's in some States)			
General nutrition education methodology		Regu		As N	eeded	Regularly	As N	<u>eeded</u>
State certification policies/procedures								
Anthropometric measurements								
Bloodwork procedures								
Nutrition counseling techniques								
Breastfeeding counseling								
Dietary assessment techniques								
Prescribing tailored food packages								
Nutrition updates								
Maternal nutrition								
Infant nutrition								
Child nutrition								
Other (specify):ALL ARE P	ROVID	ED BY	TEXAS	S WIC				

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